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I hope you're still taking comments regarding Docket # 99-D0557 on xenotransplants.


The FDA acknowledges the dangers of using non-human primates as donors in xenotransplants. Essentially saying it would not approve any primate xenografts at this time but studying virus transmission to humans. However, you're not ruling out other species for transplants, like pigs.

I'm against any xenotransplant research because of the threats of inter-species virus transmission. There's no evidence that pigs are any safer than nonhuman primates.

The Council of Europe in 1999 recommended a world-wide ban on xenotransplants. We should follow their lead. There are safer and more humane alternatives. Preventative medicine and promoting human organ donations.

Sincerely,

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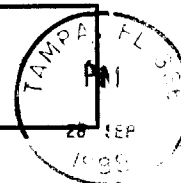
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